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## ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT August 2004 Update

## **Subarea Health Planning Councils (SACs) Activities**

#### Hawaii

The CHAMP program, focused on improving access to health insurance for children on the Big Island and decreasing the numbers of uninsured, presented strategies that have been used over the last several years to inform the community about different options to cover kids. Networking and coordination efforts between community agencies and the Department of Education were emphasized and will continue to be a focus of outreach. Tom Brown shared information about the July Transportation Conference in Kona. Many good ideas were generated regarding the new additions to the transportation system. Another community meeting will be held this fall.

#### Honolulu

Healthcare system – Briefings and updates: The strengths of some of Hawaii's major health plans were discussed: emphasis on prevention (education and screening); coordination/integration of patients' primary, specialty and ancillary health services and services for children. The need for physicians to more forcefully urge patients to eat healthy and to stop bad habits such as no exercise, smoking, etc., and each citizen's need to practice more social/personal accountability for the high cost of treating preventable health diseases/conditions are some of the reasons cited as to why our health care costs are escalating. Due to the pressure of rising costs, not-for-profit health care providers are being more vigilantly scrutinized as to the amount of "charitable" services they are returning to the community for their tax-free benefit.

#### Kauai

Two officers of the Traffic Division of the Kauai Police Department distributed data on the number of traffic citations, fatalities and injuries on the island since 1981 to July 31, 2004. The community is increasingly concerned about the number of serious and fatal accidents which have been occurring on the Waialua highway. By the end of 2004, traffic fatalities island-wide are projected to exceed by 300%, the fatalities in 2003. The 6 mile stretch of the Waialua highway alone is currently responsible for about 43% of total fatalities on Kauai.

KSAC will follow-up with the Kauai State Department of Transportation (DOT)

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to express members' concern.

Tri-Isle

The meeting was held in conjunction with the Oral Health Summit and Dental Fair, a three-day oral health promotion event. Community members and oral health providers joined the SAC members for the meeting. A wide variety of exhibitors, providers and community organizations were present to make demonstrations about oral health and how people can maintain good overall health. The SAC was informed that the Maui Bed Needs Study was just released with future hospital bed need projections. A meeting will be held in September to present the results of the study.

**West Oahu** The West Oahu Subarea Health Planning Council did not meet in August.

**Windward** The Windward Oahu Subarea Health Planning Council did not meet in August.

### **Research and Statistics:**

The SHPDA website had 21,230 hits during July 2004.

The Certificate of Need Application Summaries and Decisions Files, Monthly SHPDA Update Reports, Web server Hits Statistics and SHPDA Calendar web pages were updated.

The response rate for the 2003 Utilization Surveys was at 80% as of August 31, 2004.

## **Certificate of Need Applications**

- #03-17 Hawaii Radiologic Associates, Ltd. for the establishment of an outpatient computed tomography (CT) services at 77-311 Sunset Drive, Kailua-Kona, Hawaii, at a capital cost of \$1,125,000. Applicant has requested extension to December 31, 2004.
- Wahiawa Hospital Association for the relocation of Wahiawa General Hospital services (excluding SNF) from 128 Lehua Street, Wahiawa, to Waipio (Tax Map Key Nos. (1)9-4-006-001 and (1)9-4-006-002), at a capital cost of \$44,756,600. Incomplete. Applicant has requested extension to complete application.
- #04-13A St. Francis Medical Center-West for the establishment of a stationary MRI service at a capital cost of \$1,900,000. Incomplete. Waiting for revisions from applicant.

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- #04-15 Kaiser Foundation Hospital, Inc. for the expansion and renovation of Moanalua Medical Center at a capital cost of \$68,450,000. Incomplete. Waiting for revisions from applicant.
   #04-16A Marimed Foundation for Island Health Care Training for the establishment of an eight (8) bed special treatment facility (STF) at Kapehu Road at Mauluanui Road, Laupahoehoe, Hawaii, at a capital cost of \$575,000. Approved.
   #04-17A Kenneth C. Arakawa M.D., Inc., for the establishment of an extremity MRI service for early diagnosis of rheumatoid arthritis at 1329 Lusitana Street, #206, Honolulu, Hawaii, at a capital cost of \$239,880. Approved.
- #04-18E American Medical Response for the establishment of a Helicopter Air Ambulance service for Maui County at a capital cost of \$1,750,000. Incomplete. Waiting for revisions from applicant.